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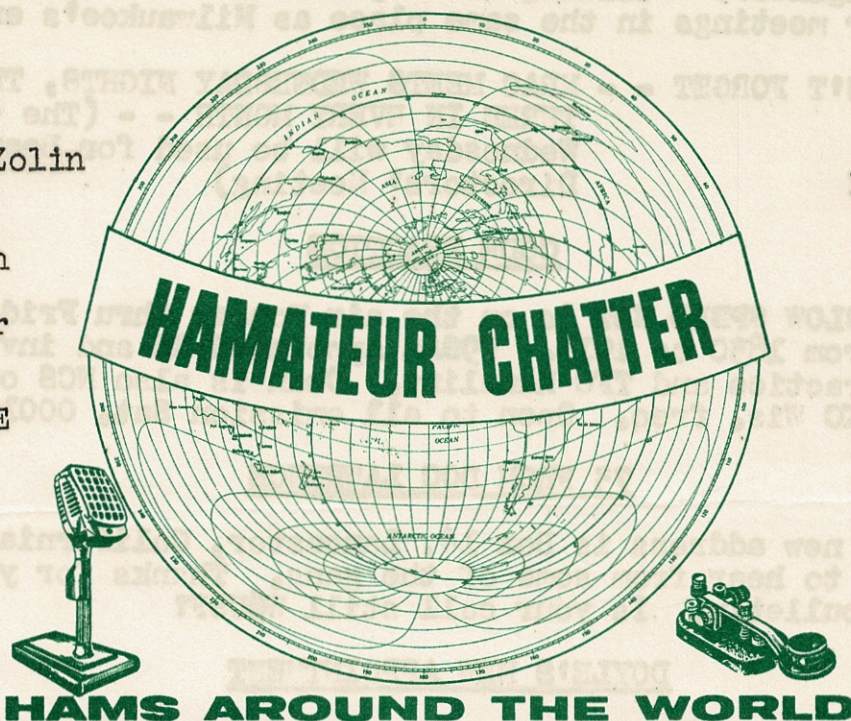
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GOOD-BYE THURSDAY NIGHT

It wasn't easy to accept the knocking-out of the old tradition of meeting on Thursday nights which has been a by-word for MRAC for over forty years. The ardent MRAC members will have to establish the new slogan, "Wednesday is Radio Night" - AND DON'T FORGET IT.

The change was made with no choice in the matter. This was the only night available and it was take it or leave it. A change in civic affairs created our moving out of the Public Library, but we have many happy memories of their generosity which we have always appreciated.

In recent years our greatest complaints were being compelled to shut down the meetings by 10:00 P.M. and be out of the room. The parking facilities around that area were also bad. These gripes will be eliminated by meeting at the ESM Building (Engineers Society of Milwaukee). Parking room is available in their own space and there is always plenty of street parking to be had. No more worry about deadline time of closing the meetings.

The Engineers' Building is elegant and we should be proud to conduct our meetings in the same place as Milwaukee's engineering groups.

SO DON'T FORGET - - MRAC MEETS WEDNESDAY NIGHTS, THE FIRST THREE IN EVERY MONTH - - (The 4th Wednesday will be used for Board of Directors' Meeting)

CODE PRACTICE

WIS. SLOW SPEED NET is on the air Monday thru Friday on 3620 KC, from 1830 to 1915. W9SAA Appointed RM and invites you for code practice and TFC handling. Dean is also NCS on BEN & MARS 3245 KC Wis. freq. Open to all emission Sat. 00012.

73 FROM DOC LAWRENCE

Doc's new address is Box 14, Lancaster, California and he would like to hear from some of the gang. Thanks for your remarks about the bulletin. Is your call still WØUSF?

DOYLE'S NEW APPOINTMENT

W9GPI was appointed to the new Neighborhood Improvement Council by Shorewood Village President, Arthur McLean. Jack has been very active in Shorewood civic affairs for a long time and this includes their radio system of the police department.

WHO WROTE IT?

(from the Milwaukee Sentinel)

Dear Abby: My husband has taken up ham radio operating as a hobby and he would rather talk to a stranger in Syracuse, N.Y., than to me. He spends all his time on this ham radio and I am getting fed up with being ignored. Is there anything I can do to get his attention or should I hope he outgrows it?

HAM RADIO WIDOW

Dear H.R.W.: Some hams are never cured. Don't give him the air before you find out what's on it. Women have also found this hobby fascinating.....

A ham in Illinois answers the above:

Dear Abby: I can't pass up this opportunity to answer the XYL who is causing all the QRM around the ham shack waiting for her OM to outgrow his hobby. We are a 100% ham radio family and do we ever have fun. We've QSO'ed all over the world. Ham radio is not only good clean fun, it can be helpful during disasters such as floods, hurricanes or any other emergencies. It can also play a big part in Civil Defense. Tell the Ham Radio Widow to get on the beam and join her hubby. She'll love it.

XYL W9EYH, Susie

(Well, I guess that takes care of that?)

FIELD DAY 1958
(By K9ENB)

The weekend of June 28-29 marked the annual renewal of the ARRL Field Day shooting match and the MRAC was again on the firing line with a two-transmitter set-up at Virmond Park. Under the able leadership of Chairman Ink Bowen, W9QYW, the club chalked up a score of 2025 points with a total of 245 contacts and successful relay of a Field Day message. This, despite equipment difficulties, antenna headaches and an uncooperative display of Aurora Boreallis phenomena.

These affairs are always enjoyable for those who participate and this year's party provided the usual quota of laughs, hard work, good fellowship and sense of accomplishment. Although these are the things which are remembered and become the subject of many a ragchew later, it should not be forgotten that this popular activity has a serious purpose also, the testing of operators and equipment under field conditions. The operators proved equal to their responsibilities, an efficient job was done in setting up the stations and the generators, the major problem in most field day operations, performed consistently well. To offset these plus factors, serious equipment difficulties were experienced with the Milwaukee Civil Defense truck station. However, these very difficulties are proof of the solid value of the Field Day exercise. A report of these equipment failures to Civil Defense authorities, who were not previously aware of the deficiencies, resulted in prompt repair or replacement.

Participants in various phases of the setting up and/or operating were:

K9CAN W9DGB W9FTE W9KVX W9QYW W9YFW
K9CJK W9DYG W9GIL W9LVR W9RKP W9YZG
K9ENB W9FDX W9KQD W9MDG W9RZD W9ZPV

If the club had fur lined keys to award for sterling performances the following would be enthusiastically nominated:

Ink, W9QYW, Field Day Chairman, for his painstaking planning and preparations.

Terry, W9DIA and Steven, W9EAN, for the loan of two NC-300s and a B & W-5100 without which the show would never have gone into orbit.

The Women's Auxiliary and their President, Frances Thompson, for soothing the savage beasts at regular intervals with food.

Wally, W9KVX, for the use of a generator and the installation of an efficient power transmission system using his own wire.

Gordy, W9YFW, for producing another tent out of the blue when a promised tent failed to materialize.

Our epicurean Prexy, W9FDX, for his eagerness to guide other gourmets to the tasty wild strawberries hidden in the weeds in the remote areas of our antenna farm.

The Scarvacis, W9GIL and K9CAN, And other stalwarts for accomplishing a complete redesign and reconstruction of the antennas at midnight.

The "whole smear" for being good company and willing workers throughout the entire weekend.

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Doctor: "How's the boy who swallowed the half dollar?"

Nurse: "No change yet, doctor."

PROGRAMS FORMULATING

Oct. 1st, Fritz Franke, from Hallicrafters, talks on EMT-200 transistorized portable mobile transceiver.
 Dec. 1st week, Carl Mosby, W0FQY, of Mosby Electronics, St. Louis, will speak on the tri-band antenna.

IN MEMORIAM

MRAC regrets the passing away of Bob Lathrop, W9LJV, on July 7, 1958. He was a ham for forty years. Bob was a radio technician for the Waukesha Police Dept and Waukesha County Sheriff's Dept. His enthusiasm and operations on 2 and 6 meters will be greatly missed.

REPORT FROM THE LADIES

THE WOMEN'S AUXILIARY of the MRAC ended their season in May with their annual banquet and installation of officers. Taking over in September are:

Frances Thompson	President
Jane Stevens	Vice-President
Irene Buchholz	2nd Vice-President
Ellen Porch	Secretary
Florence Belanger	Treasurer

PICNIC - Frances Thompson, very ably assisted by her daughter, Paula Jane, directed the fun-filled Games Session at the annual MRAC Picnic.

There was excited conversation among the ladies about the National Convention in Washington and who was going and "I'll meet you there". We are anxiously awaiting our next meeting to find out the sequel to this tantalizing tidbit dropped by Florence Belanger: "Al doesn't know it yet.....but wait 'til he sees the cocktail dress I bought for the convention!"

"GET WELL SOON" - We are pleased to report that Fran Thompson (XYL of K9JGT) is recovering nicely from the recent car accident which occurred when a neighbor offered everyone a ride in his new sports car. All went well until it was Frances' turn and she tells us, "I still don't know what happened". However, despite splints, casts and stitches, Frances feels she will be well enough to preside over the first Auxilliary Meeting to be held at her home in September.

(Incidentally, Frances thanks all the Auxiliary ladies for the lovely flowers she received in the hospital and was able to appreciate after the first few painful days.)

COMING EVENTS - Our indefatigable Mary Meyer, W9RUJ, will be chairman for the May convention here in Milwaukee of the MIDWEST YL'S....this will be their 9th annual get-together. Mary was also re-elected Publicity Chairman for the National WLRL group.

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QUICK OPENING

"I need a job, Senator", said the man from his home state. The senator thought for a moment. "Well, I'll tell you" he said, "there aren't any jobs, but here's what I'll do. I'll get up a committee to investigate why there are no jobs, and you can be head of that, with a salary beginning at \$10,000 a year."

PICNIC REPORT

Ken Eggert, W9MOT, and his committee, handled the yearly picnic in good style. Of the 100 members attending, 33 brought their families with them. The traditional baseball game, married men versus the single men wound up with the victory going to the married hams. The consumption of the liquid stuff, you know, that made Milwaukee famous, was up to normal in spite of the cooler weather. Rain fell, as it usually does, but did not mar the fun until about 7:00 P.M. A new sport reared its head for the less energetic members when a few fast games of corquet were played. Evidently the game is on the way back as the sets looked very new.

FROM THE LEDGER OF THE TREASURER
(W9COW)

Welcome again to another club season with the M.R.A.C. As you know, (or maybe you don't) the members are asked to pay their dues during the months of Sept. and Oct. If you cannot get down to a meeting to pay your dues, it can be done by mail. Make out checks or money orders payable to the Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Inc. and mail to Charles C. Dawson, Treasurer, MRAC, 3418 N. Hubbard St., Milwaukee 12, Wis. Membership cards may be picked up at the following meeting. Those not called for will be mailed with a copy of the new club roster. Be sure to be in the roster. Don't delay - do it now.

Incidentally, renewal and new membership subscriptions to QST also can be made through the treasurer at a fifty cent savings. Send or bring the renewal notice together with \$3.50.

Have you changed your address or telephone number? Please inform us. Have it correct in the roster. Club seals (gummed) - attach to QSL's, letterheads, envelopes, etc., available, 100 to a package, 35¢ or 3 packages, \$1.00.

Dues: Regular or associate member \$3.00
Student or non-resident member \$2.00

CHICAGO HAS ANTENNA TROUBLE

Attempting to enforce zoning ordinance violations, the Chicago Building Commissioner is ordering radio amateurs to remove their antennae and if this is not done within five days, a fine of \$200 per day is imposed. Jack Doyle, W9GPI, Central Division Director, reports that Fred Roe, Jr., KN9KBC, is making a test case of this matter and Jack has summoned the league's counsel, Paul N. Segal, who is now working with the Chicago Area Radio Club Council on the action.

ARE YOU PREPARED FOR ANY EMERGENCY
(Dick Oberholtzer, W9ZPI)

We, as radio hams, have the happy faculty of being able to communicate with other hams with almost any type of equipment conceived by us. In fact, if necessary, many of us could take an old car radio, build a one-tube oscillator and a one-tube regenerative receiver and a couple of pieces of metal as a key to communicate with someone else on the same frequency. The question is - what frequency?

(Are you prepared Cont'd)

We are a strange breed of cats who are cussed and discussed by our neighbors when we interfere in their pleasures, but in case of need become very important persons.

With the privilege that we have granted us by the F.C.C. we also carry obligations....that of being prepared to carry on communications in any type of emergency. We also are able to do experimenting, which at times helps industries with new circuits, etc. This also includes our preparedness which also means civilian defense. Mobile rigs will be very important in disasters such as floods, hurricanes, etc. They likewise are just as important in case of an attack. We find that too few of us are participating in any type of emergency activity. This may be caused by differences of opinion of individuals or just plain apathy toward any cause except our own pleasure.

Last month there was a card sent out to every MRAC Member, asking them to check in on the Lake Shore Emergency Net/29.5 M.C. Either because of lack of direction on the net or the unwillingness to put ourselves in a position where we may be called upon, caused a great void in the response of our members. There has been a great deal of equipment secured by the city and counties that can only be operated on the amateur frequencies. Only hams can operate them. Therefore, it behooves us to get going and activate this equipment.

There seems to be some misconception as to how and what will be required of a radio ham in cases of an emergency. If the emergency would be something like a cyclone, flood or other disaster made by nature, it would not be feasible for one or more individuals to start out by trying to make telephone calls to secure help. Most of us have the equipment available to check in on the 10 Meter Emergency Net to find out if we are needed. There have been times when many who have wished to help have rushed to a scene where they were only in the way. In cases of a man-made disaster, plans have been made for evacuating the entire population from a possible distress area. During this evacuation, no communication other than traffic, which would be handled by the Police Department and Conelrad, would be necessary. Therefore, the ham would immediately take care of his family and then upon reaching a destination without any more to do would migrate to a point where he could be of help. Then communication such as we can give would be very important.

During the alert that is still in effect, some have complained that they were not contacted. For those of you that hold RACES Licenses, this is true. That is why I feel that our main source of information should be the 10 Meter Net. I compliment the group that reactivated this net. Now this group also has an obligation. They must get the facts from authoritative sources to discharge their cause, to give information and to recruit services when needed. Some one in the net has suggested practice on transmission procedure and messages. Very good, let's follow it up. A small group can hold the net together, but be prepared for mass check-ins. This calls for trained net controls on phone, CW and TWX. Within a couple of months you will get a complete listing showing those positions open for a complete emergency program. The plan proposed will not call for active participation all the time. It will be a check in procedure that will allow us to correct records when there has been a change in your status. Complete details will be forthcoming.

 M.R.A.C. - A.R.R.L. ACTIVITIES & DX NEWS

FLASH - Jack Doyle, W9GPI is now DXCC A3 and SSB. Likewise with Herb Berg, W9CAS on CW. Congrats to you both. Add the return of Russ Greenwood, W9LVR to Milwaukee and MRAC proudly presents 16 DXCC Members. Congrats also to Loren Ashwood on his WAZ (No. 3 for MRAC).

"WATCH FOR"

HC8AGO-LUX-WGF Galapagos Id Anytime after Sept 15th 2 weeks or more of opring, all modes. Gear includes KWM1, HT32-Thunderbolt, Telerax Tri Bander, 2 Generators and plenty of gas. QSL's go to WØ's-AGO, LUX, WGF as QSOed.

Vg1BB-HX-HH opring/VU5 from Nicobar Ids in late Sept or Oct. QSL's go to VS1 Bureau.

VS9MM - Maldiv Ids - permanant RAF STN, also VS1JF/VS9 - possible 6 to 9 months of opring with DX35 and Dipole Ant.

ZL3VB - Chatham Id - Hopes to be on 20 CW in late Sept with 100 wt rig. QSL's to Jack Ryan, Waitangi, Chatham Id.

VR1C - Gilbert Ids - Dan QRL on 14.060 CW and 14.190 F with new Globe Scout. Look for him 1 to 5 A.M. (CDST)

VP2VB/vP2's - Danny and Yasme II continues his trip. Next stops - Antigua and Montserrat, then on to all the Windward, VP2 Countries. Freqs are: (21.075, 14.075, 7.005 & 3.505 CW) (21.440 & 14.305 SSB) (28.495, 21.245, 14.195 & 7.245 AM). All QSL's to KV4AA

W3ZA/3W - Vietnam (off Banned List) 14.048 CW and 14.100 CW & Fone. Rundy usually on from 8 to 9:30 A.M. QSL's go to Box 34, Navy 150 F.P.O. San Francisco, Calif.

"ON THE AIR"

Summer doldrums found 10 meters almost dead while 15 meters had fair to good openings to Europe, South America and Africa and 20 meters stayed open 24 hours with some real hot condx between 6:00 P.M. and midnight and occasionally 7:00 to 9:00 A.M. to Asia. Summer vacations and hot weather notwithstanding, the local gang were kept QRL chasing such juicy DX'peditions as VK2AYY (Lord Howe Id), ILDCO/M1 (San Marine), G3AY to 3A2 Land, FO8AT on Clipperton and of course, Danny and Yasme II and Co. to YVØAB, VP2VB and VP2KF. Cards for VP4W1 go to W1RST. 9K2AQ is back in England now, signing G3FJU.

VQ5GJ sez send your QSL'S to Box 355, Kampala. Rumors have VS1JF in Maldives for 6 to 9 months of opring. VR1C now has a new generator and should be back on the air in the near future. Guess everyone back East went to FP8 land for vacations of opring!

(On the Air Cont'd)

ZL3VB on Chatham Id, (latest addition to DXCC List) hopes to be on 20 memters sonn and VK9AD of Norfolk ID fame, should be SSB by now. W9GIL, FDX and DYG latched unto XW8AB QSL after QRX of 3 years! TI9AC, FK0AD and a fake KP6AK are said to be N.G. W6ZEN will help you QSO ZK2AB. FE8AH returned to W9DYG's CQ in pass CD party and Fred is now WPX confirmed having QSL's from 305 prefexes in 148 countries since Jan 1, '57. Dick, K9CAN, took his cards direct to Hqs for his DXCC and here in detail is what the gang knocked off over summer:

JUNE - JULY - AUGUST REPORT

C.D.S.T. WORKED BY

6/4	Rhodes	SV0WB	14.131F	2221	(W9FDX)
6/5	So. Africa	ZS6APA	28F	1305	(W9FTE/M)
6/8	Trinidad	Py0NA	21.150CW	2055	(W9QYW-PQA-CAN-GIL)
6/13	Br. Samoa	ZM6AS	14.018CW	0155	(W9QYW)
6/16	Amsterdam	FB8ZZ	14.020CW	2255	(W9QYW)
6/16	Palmyra	KP6AL	21CW	2302	(W9PQA)
6/17	Egypt	SU1IM	14.050CW	2215	(W9QYW)
6/19	Du. Guiana	JZ0HA	14.034CW	0820	(W9OMZ)
6/25	Ukraine	UB5KKK	14.042CW	2242	(K9ENB)
6/25	St. Helena	ZD7SA	14.080CW	2350	(W9DYG-RKP-JZE-CJK)
6/25	Dominica	VP2DA	21F	1948	(W9PQA)
6/30	Trinidad	VP4WI	14.048CS	2243	(K9ENB-CJK-QYW)
7/6	San Marino	I1DCO/MI	14.083CW	0130	(W9DYG-CAN)
7/7	Grenada	VP2GJ	14.049CW	1852	(W9DYG)
7/6	New Caledonia	FK8AS	14.081CW	0729	(W9OMZ-FDX)
7/10	Am. Samoa	KS6AG	14CW	0113	(K9CAN)
7/7	Monoco	3A2CF	14.083CW	0130	(W9QYW-DYG)
7/17	Antarctica	ZL5AC	14CW	0730	(W9OMZ)
7/18	Maldiv Ids	VS9MA	14.050CW	0713	(W9QYW-FDX-CAN)
7/19	Am. Samoa	KS6AD	14.095CW	0550	(W9QYW)
7/22	Sardinia	IS1ZEI	14.003CW	1945	(W9QYW-YZG)
7/22	Cook Id	ZK1AK	14.044CW	2334	(W9YZG)
7/25	Soloman Ids	VR4CI	14CW	0709	(K9CAN)
7/27	Liberia	EL1K	14.018CW	2330	(K9ENB)
7/30	Eritrea	ET2US	14.035CW	2008	(K9CJK)
8/2	Siam	HS1C	14.023CW	0625	(W9QYW)
8/7	Salvador	YS10	14.024CW	2215	(W9YZG)
8/8	Kazakh	UL7GL	14.026CW	2157	(W9YZG)
8/11	Guadeloupe	FG7XF	14.010CW	2010	(K9ENB-CJK-YZG-QYW)
8/12	KareloFin. Rep.	UN1AE	14.092CW	1635	(K9CJK-YZG-DYG)
8/6	Johnson Id	KH6IK/KJ6	14 CW	2400	(K9CAN-RKP)
8/13	Formosa	BV1US	14.086CW	0715	(W9YZG)
8/20	Tang. Terr.	VQ3CF	14.050CW	2025	(K9CJK)
8/25	India	VU2BK	14.037CW	0750	(W9QYW)
8/26	Montserrat	VP2MR	14.303-SSB	0740	(W9FDX-OMZ)
8/26	Swaziland	ZS61F/ZS7	14.016CW	0735	(W9QYW-CAN-RKP)
8/29	DuGuiana	JZ0DA	14.020CW	0700	(W9QYW)
8/29	Israel	4X4KK	14.038CW	2000	(W9YZG-K9CJK)
8/29	Israel	4X4FK	28.430F	1100	(W9VQG)
8/29	Crete	SV0WT	21.241F	1050	(W9VQG)
8/26	Okinawa	KR6IT	14.133F	0900	(W9VQG)

(Report Cont'd)

8/30	New Caledonia	FK8AS	14.025CW	0750	(W9QYW)
8/30	Cocos Ids	TI9AC	14.045CW	0020	(W9RKP-DYG)
8/31	Macquarie	VK0TC	14.100CW	0737	(W9QYW)

The entire MRAC gang snagged FO8AT, YV0AB, VP2VB, VP2KF and VK2AYY/LH, so no individual listings.

"ON THE SIDE"

The summer outing of the DX Activities Gang was held at Carl Rohdes, W9ROM's QTH with thirty-one attending, including the XYL's and YL's. Guests from Madison included W9RBI, W9LNM and W9LVR and their XYL's. The afternoon was spent swimming, playing ball and croquet, plus a tour of the burned out Tallmadge home on Oconomowoc Lake. After Carl and his family served a real "humdinger" of a supper, the gang relaxed during an informal DX Meeting and chewed over the latest DX, etc. Russ, W9RKP, closed the evening's activities by showing movies of the Wausau Hamfest and his family's trip to the West Coast. THX to W9ROM and his family for a never to be forgotten June 21st.

Summer Events: Vacations and trips found W9QYW and W9YZG up in Northern Wisconsin. K9ENB and WYL Ellen played with the bears at Yellowstone. W9PQA and family went down Indiana way, while W9DGB's clan went up to Windsor, Ontario. W9FDX finally gave up trying to master the game of croquet and took the family to the National Convention in Washington D.C. Also to Washington D.C. went the W9GIL's, GPI's, MDG's, W9IZO, W9ROM and K9DCC. With the help of half the DX Gang, W9KQD and W9DGB moved their rigs (and families) to new QTHs here in town. Of course the never ending beam raising parties continued on through the summer with W9ROM the proud possessor of a Tri Band Gonset on a one hundred foot tower. Likewise with W9RKP's Gonset which is sixty feet high and W9VQG's Hi Gain Beam on a thirty-five foot crank up tower. Next in line are W9LJU, K9CJK, W9PQA and W9LVR - Beams and more beams! Add the many pleasant picnics the DX gang went on almost every Sunday, throw in a couple of beach parties and the pitching of Lew (W9GIL) Scarvaci at the Club Picnic (the married men naturally won) and the total result finds most of the gang having a real nice summer. On the sad side, all we can say is continue to get well real quick, Francis Thompson.

MRAC Traffic Report-CDST:

State Nets: Ben 3950 Kc/s Daily 6 P.M. WIN 3535 Kc/s Daily 7 P.M.
W3SN 3620 Kc/s Monday thru Friday 6:30 P.M.

MRAC Members TFC Totals:

<u>JUNE</u>		<u>JULY</u>		<u>AUGUST</u>	
K9GDF	363 BPL	K9GDF	307 BPL	K9GDF	578 BPL
W9SAA	172	W9SAA	119	W9SAA	124
W9DYG	101	W9DYG	100	W9DYG	106
K9DTK	52	W9YZG	25	K9DTK	37
W9VHP	16	K9DTK	23	W9YZG	17
W9SIZ	13	W9VHP	9	W9SIZ	9
		W9SIZ	5		

(On the Side Cont'd)

Dick, K9GDF, built a cigar box 80 Rect. to 6V6, 5 watt rig and QSOed 9 states, with best DX over 600 miles. More TFC men are needed, especially in WSSN (Slow Speed CW Net).

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Brother Ham sez, "Never adjust another operator's bug, make errors or erase on a QSL Card, test with antenna connected, leave a net without permission, hand out charged capacitors or get CP credit with tape recorder". (via W9KQB)

73,

W9DYG

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QSLs LOOKING FOR A HOME, ASK K9CJK

Many QSL Cards are coming to Milwaukee with incomplete or incorrect addresses and lay dormant in the Post Office. MRACHas arranged with postal authorities to have all such cards in the Milwaukee area delivered to Jim Buth, K9CJK, who will list the calls in Hamateur Chatter. If you find your call or any that you know of, contact Jim, 2829 N. Weil Street and he will bring them down to the club meeting. Non-members can get theirs by sending a self-stamped envelope to Jim. Each card received will be listed only once, so check them carefully. The following is the first list of cards:

W9AAD	K9HUI	KN9JSQ	KN9LJV	KN9MNZ	W9ODD
W9AET	K9HXA	KN9KGC	KN9LWR	KN9MRG	W9QOJ
K9DGG	K9IAX	KN9LCF	KN9MAS	KN9MWO	W9RYX
K9ESG	K9JQT	KN9LCG	KN9MBD	KN9MWP	W9WMA
K9EUO	K9JRW	KN9LGL	K9MBE	W9NYJ	

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WELCOME BACK, RUSS

Russell Greenwood, W9LVR, back from a long stay in Madison, Wisconsin, is making his QTH Milwaukee and we welcome him back. Good to see you.

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BILL WING'S CLASS UNDERWAY

W9EPO, got his radio class going at the LaFollette Branch of the Vocational School, 9th and Ring Streets and its understood the enrollment was very heavy. He is teaching radio theory, code for novices and technicians and the HAM factory really bears fruit.

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The shortest trip on record is that of the fellow who had an accident just as he pulled out of his parking place at the curb.

INTERFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT AND ARRL TVI QUIZ

Ed Buchholz, W9VBZ, Chairman TVI Committee, gave a very instructive report at the September 17th Meeting. He stressed the points of how a HAM should conduct himself when receiving a TVI complaint---not to jeopardize our fraternity by employing the wrong tactics. Ed has cleared over seventy cases of TVI with his committee. These were with cooperation with FCC and has set up a fine file of records which go to the FCC for settlement. Joe Ellenbecker, W9RZD, has worked very close with Ed on the committee. Ed's present position prevents him from continuing this work, but MRAC is grateful for setting up this work for the next chairman.

Later on in the meeting the members were handed out a list of questions put out by ARRL known as "Training Aids Quiz". The twenty questions are in multiple type and the answers were checked off on a separate sheet. Professor Belanger, W9MDG and Ellenbecker, W9RZD, conducted the explanations and at times the membership gave them a hard time. All-in-all, it was interesting and constructive and those who weren't there missed a good meeting.

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GROUNDHOG PARTY

The 13th Annual Groundhog Party will be held at Watertown, Wisconsin, Sunday, October 12th at the Moose Hall, Third and Market Streets. Schedule of activities is as follows:

10:00 A.M.	Registration
1:00 P.M.	Hidden Transmitter Hunt
3:00 P.M.	Assembly of Groundhogs; Report of Clubs
4:00 P.M.	Recess and Bagchewing
6:30 P.M.	Banquet-Prizes-Auction of the Trophy by Jack Doyle, W9GPT.

Reservation deadline is Wednesday, October 8th and may be sent to Erwin L. Buchert, W9QHR, 425 East Water Street, Watertown, Wisconsin. Charge is \$2.50 per person.

FUTURE PROGRAMS

SEPT. 25--John Huntoon W1LVQ, Asst Gen. Mgr. ARRL: The World Radio Conference. (Thur. Nite)
OCT. 1-- Fritz Franke of Hallicrafters
OCT. 8-- Ink Bowen, W9QYW, Grounded Grid Amplifiers
OCT. 15-- E. F. Johnson Co., Antennas and Coupling Devices.
NOV. 5-- John Scarvaci, W9GHL, Frequency Measuring.